

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday the 5th day of November, 2019, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Speaker) His Honour G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. (Deputy Speaker)

Hon. G. W. Payne, Q.C. (Minister of Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. Housing, Lands and Rural Development)

Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (Minister of International Business and Industry)

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, O.C., LL.B. (Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of *National Security and the Civil Service)*

Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs)

Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs)

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (Minister of Health and Wellness)

Hon. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. (Minister of Home Affairs)

Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (Minister of Small Business, *Entrepreneurship and Commerce)*

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training)

(Leader of the Opposition)

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M.Min. (Minister of Transport, Works and Maintenance)

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Trade)

Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (Minister of Youth and Community Empowerment)

Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development)

Hon. P. R. Phillips (Minister in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Maintenance)

Hon. J. A. King, BSS (Minister of Creative Economy, *Culture and Sports)*

Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill

Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations)

Mr. N. G. H. Rowe (Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder

ABSENT

Hon. T. A. Prescod, B.A. (*Minister of Environment and National Beautification*), Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (*Minister of Tourism and International Transport*), Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (*Minister of Energy and Water Resources*), Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (*Minister of Agriculture and Food Security*), Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (*Chairman of Committees*), Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (*Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy*), Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Finance*) and Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment*).

Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 10.15 a.m.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, October 22nd, 2019 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde.

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, October 29th, 2019 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde.

PAPERS

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw by her command laid the Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Companies) Order, 2019.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the following:

Resolution to grant the sum of FOUR HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2019–2020.

ORDERS OF THE DAY SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ORDER NO. 5

Hon. D. D. Marshall with leave withdrew Order No. 5 – Supplementary Estimates No. 4, 2019 – 2020.

ORDER NO. 9

On the Order being called for Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic to move the passing of a Resolution to adopt the Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Medicinal Cannabis Industry Bill, 2019, the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde who reserved her right to speak that the Resolution be passed.

Hon. E. G. Hinkson began to speak.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke on a point of order.

Hon. E. G. Hinkson resumed his speech.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke on a point of order.

Hon. E. G. Hinkson resumed his speech.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke on a point of order.

Hon. E. G. Hinkson concluded his speech.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the Sitting was suspended to 1.45 p.m.

At 12.25 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (Recommitted)

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the following:

Resolution to grant the sum of FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THREE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-ONE DOLLARS from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2019–2020.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. G. W. Payne seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the Sitting was suspended until 2.10 p.m.

At 2.00 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 9 (resumed)

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

Hon. R. St. C. Toppin spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley concluded his speech.

Hon. C. E. Jordan began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan resumed his speech.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley rose and spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan concluded his speech.

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.

Hon. D. D. Marshall began to speak.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley rose on a point of order.

Hon. D. D. Marshall resumed his speech.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley rose on a point of order.

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke and moved seconded by Hon. G. W. Payne that the Report be adopted.

The Resolution was passed and the Report was adopted.

ORDER NO. 4

MEDICINAL CANNABIS INDUSTRY BILL, 2019 (resumed)

On the Order being called Hon. D. D. Marshall moved seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan that the Bill be read a third time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the Bill was passed and the title read and agreed to.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill was appointed temporary Chairman of Committees.

ORDER NO. 14

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the House resolved itself into the Standing Finance Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

On the Order being called for Hon. D. D. Marshall to move the passing of a Resolution to grant the sum of FOUR HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2019–2020.

The Hon. Member spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of FOUR HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2019–2020 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 4, 2019–2020 which form the Schedule to the Resolution.

SCHEDULE Supplementary Estimates 2019 – 2020 No. 4

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2019 – 2020	Provision in Supplementary Esti- mates Nos. 1-3	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 30 – OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL Program 241: Legal Registration Services Subprogram 0247: Registration Department Account Code: 751 – Property and Plant Account Code: 753 – Furniture and Fittings	302410247	\$ 0 0	\$ 0 0	\$ 403,049 78,806
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and moved seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde that Head 30 stand part.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw the Acting Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair the passing of the Resolution in the Standing Finance Committee.

On the separate motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. J. A. King the Resolution was read a first and second time and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall the Sitting was adjourned to Tuesday, 12th November, 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

At 6.45 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

BEVERLEY S. GIBBONS Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2019.

day of

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BRIDGETOWN.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2018 – 2023

MINUTES

Tuesday, 5th November, 2019.

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